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Cocktails at 12 P.M. ----- Luncheon at 12:30 P.M. sharp  
Member and One Guest: \$2.50 Each ----- Other Guests: \$3.

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### WHAT HAPPENED IN KOREA?

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LT. GEN. ROBERT L. EICHELBERGER, U.S.A. (Ret'd)

Expert Consultant on Far Eastern Affairs to the Secretary of the Army

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Few people are better qualified than General Eichelberger to probe the reasons for America's perilous position in the Far East. Before his retirement from active duty in 1948, this distinguished Army officer held such important posts as superintendent of West Point, division and corps commander during the New Guinea and New Britain campaigns, commanding general of the 8th Army in the Philippine campaign and, finally, commander of Allied and U.S. occupation forces in Japan.

From 1946 to 1948, General Eichelberger's duties as occupation force commander gave him an on-the-spot insight into America's diplomatic and military activities in the Far East. Also, participating on a policy-making level, General Eichelberger was responsible for much of the progress achieved by American occupation of Japan.

Now, flying directly from Washington with up-to-the-minute facts on the Far Eastern war, General Eichelberger brings to the Club an informed interpretation of "What Happened in Korea." Present also will be a number of military experts who will take part in the discussion.

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: O F F I C I A L :

Board of Governors Meeting ..... Clubrooms ..... Monday, December 11, 8:00 P.M.  
Committee on Permanent Quarters ..... Clubrooms ..... Tuesday, December 12, 5:30 P.M.  
House Committee Meeting .. KATHRYN CRAVENS' suite, Hotel Devon, Tuesday, December 19, 5:30 P.M.

: NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS :  
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ACTIVE: Irene F. Day, public information office, International Refugee Organization, Uruguay. Argentina, November 1948 to March 1949, for the Buenos Aires Herald; Argentina, October 1949 to February 1950 for United Press, Latin American Report and free-lance; Uruguay, February 1950 to present, for IRO. Proposed by VIRGINIA PREWITT MIZELLE; seconded by WILLIAM R. MIZELLE.

William H. McCall, United Press, Argentina. Colombia, Venezuela, Ecuador, 1943 to 1945, as United Press manager; South America, 1945 to present, as UP director of South American services. Proposed by ROBERT NEVILLE; seconded by FRED L. STROZIER.

GUEST: Leonard Coulter, New York editor, Odhams Press, Ltd., of London. Proposed by HENRY GELLERMANN; seconded by RALPH H. MAJOR, JR.

(Due to space limitations, listing of other candidates is deferred until next week)

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The chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership in the Overseas Press Club of America of the following candidates:

ACTIVE: BARRY BISHOP, Dallas (Tex.) Morning News  
LEON DANIEL, Pix, Inc.  
WILLIAM H. FORBIS, Time magazine  
SEYMOUR FRIEDMAN, National Broadcasting Company  
L. G. HOOVER, JR., Time Inc.  
EUGENE S. JONES, National Broadcasting Company (TV)  
CHARLES O. JONES, National Broadcasting Company (TV)

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 COLUMBIA SILEO, free-lance writer  
 ABRAHAM SIRKIN, ECA Mission to England  
 J. CLIFFORD STARK, McGraw-Hill International Corporation  
 GERHARD S. STINDT, "News of the Day"  
 JOHN H. WALKER, Time Inc.

Guest: CHRISTOPHER EMMET, free-lance writer

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BRANHAM RESIGNS AS OPC TREASURER; REPLACED BY WURZEL

Board Hears Committee Reports;  
 Extra Meeting Scheduled  
 To Discuss Lectures

The resignation of LEO BRANHAM as Treasurer of the Overseas Press Club, a post he has held since his election last April, was accepted by the Board of Governors December 5, following expression of his desire to resign in a letter addressed to President LOCHNER. Upon acceptance of the resignation, the Board immediately elected JOSEPH J. WURZEL to fill BRANHAM's unexpired term of office.

BRANHAM explained that the pressure of work in connection with the Treasurer's duties had forced him to neglect his other commitments and his family, adding, with a grin, "to say nothing of the AP's bowling team." He said he was "terribly tired" and that the decision to resign had been made after careful thought. Also, BRANHAM emphasized that no differences in Club policy were involved.

The Board then voted to endorse sentiments expressed in President LOCHNER's letter accepting BRANHAM's resignation. In it LOCHNER said, "I want to assure you -- and in this I know the Board of Governors unanimously agrees with me--that we all have been deeply impressed with your earnestness and devotion to the Club to which you have given time ungrudgingly and lavishly. Thanks to your insistence that one primary concern of the present Club administration was the setting up of an auditing system that would enable us to know at any given moment where we stand financially, the Board of Governors is now in a position to plan soundly and intelligently for the future. That, as well as your many other services to the Club, will, I assure you, never be forgotten. On behalf of the Club, please accept our sincere thanks."

Preceding consideration of BRANHAM's resignation, President LOCHNER reported to the Board on the progress of the Permanent Quarters Committee and the Dinner Committee. He also announced that GEORGE AXELLSON of the New York Times, Bulletin Special Correspondent in Stockholm, had agreed to act as the Club's Official Observer there, and that GERALDINE SARTAIN will serve on Chairman SANFORD GRIFFITH's Program Committee.

During its meeting, the Board learned of the sudden death that afternoon of Charles G. Ross, press secretary to President Truman, and voted that condolences be sent in the name of the Club to the President and to Mr. Ross's family.

According to the retiring Treasurer's final report, the OPC's bank balance has slumped from its July 1, 1950, peak of \$16,962.03 to \$10,324.62 on November 30. This is \$1,028.13 less than the balance as of December 1, 1949. Disbursements for November amounted to \$2,441.40, while income totaled \$1,010.59, for a deficit of \$1,430.81.

Considerable discussion then centered around proposals from Chairman HAL LEHRMAN of the Lecture Committee that facilities be set up to operate a lecture bureau for the benefit of Club Members. So many factors were involved that the Board voted to consider the matter in greater detail at a special meeting called for Monday, December 11.

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TWO MORE PRESS CLUBBERS  
LEAVE U.S. TO REINFORCE  
KOREA PRESS CONTINGENT

As fresh waves of Chinese Red troops swarmed down the Korean peninsula, American war correspondents were finding coverage of the action increasingly difficult. And while some newsmen have returned to the U.S., most are being replaced. This week two more Overseas Press Club Members left for the Far East. One of two AP reporters sent off was ROBERT EUNSON, former war correspondent in both Europe and the Pacific. And the Chicago Tribune's JOHN H. THOMPSON was on his way December 7 to do Tribune dispatches as well as newscasts for the Mutual Broadcasting System.

OPC Members will be deeply grieved to learn of the sudden death of MIECZYSLAW (Mike) NOWINSKI, one of the earliest Members of the Club and its Secretary in 1944-1945. He died of a heart attack December 2 while on a visit to New York from Washington, where he worked for the State Department. He was 54 years old. Between the two wars, Mike served as correspondent in Warsaw, first for the Chicago Tribune, then for INS, and was well known to the entire American press corps in Europe. In recent years he was on the editorial staff of the Polish Review. Past President EUGENE LYONS, a close friend of Mike's for over 20 years, speaking at the funeral service December 5, expressed the sorrow of all Overseas Press Club Members.

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Following a 12,000-mile lecture tour, ROBERT MAGIDOFF is back at his home in Louisville, Ky., hard at work on his second book about Russia...Among speakers at the annual meeting of the Public Relations Society of America at the Waldorf Astoria this week were Maj. GEORGE FIELDING ELIOT, GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY and EDWARD W. BARRETT, Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs...

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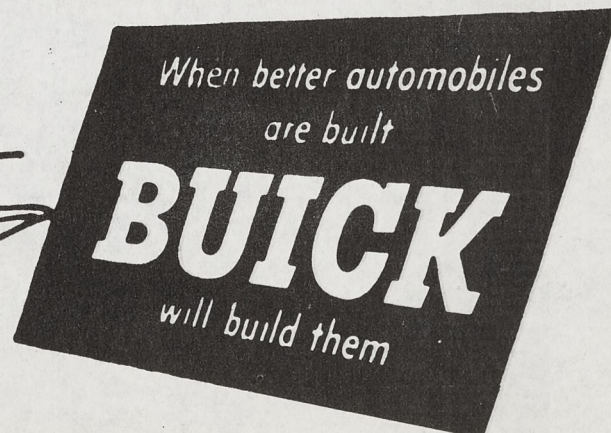
Credit for calling the recent Senatorial elections (49-47) for Newsweek right on the nose goes to MAY CRAIG, Washington correspondent for the Portland (Maine) Press and other Maine newspapers...GABRIEL PRESSMAN of the New York World-Telegram and Sun, has an article, "This Is the World's Toughest Job" (about New York's mayors) in the November 11 Everybody's Weekly of London...Columnist WALTER LIPPMANN, just back from Europe, resumed his New York Herald Tribune commentary December 4...

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An extraordinary general meeting of the Foreign Press Association has been called for December 18 to discuss repeal of war-time regulations barring citizens of enemy countries from membership. If the bar is lifted, Western Germany correspondents now accredited to the U.S. and the UN, as well as Japanese newsmen who may be accredited, will be eligible for membership...

It's a girl, their second, for the ROBERT D. ECKHOUSES! Born November 15, name of Roberta Joan...Teen-age columnist BETTY BETZ is readying her own TV show for a February debut...Past President LOWELL THOMAS took top honors for "best network news program", with EDWARD R. MURROW second, in the 21st annual Cleveland Plain Dealer radio poll, results of which were announced this week...

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BENNETT CERF guested on Mutual's "Twenty Questions" broadcast December 2....In from Paris and at the Madison Square Hotel is DORA MILLER...ADELE NATHAN on TV, offering dogs for adoption and telling anecdotes about animals she has employed as actors in her transportation shows...Congratulations to MARY MARGARET McBRIDE, named this week as "outstanding woman of the year in radio" by the Annual Associated Press poll of more than 500 women's editors of U.S. newspapers...DOROTHY OSHLAG was a guest, along with colleague Erik Barnouw, on a recent Voice of America program beamed to Western Europe. Broadcast was about their activity on a unique project producing information films and radio shows. They're currently working with GEORGE HICKS on a new documentary radio series scheduled for early 1951 release...

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WILLIAM R. MIZELLE, McGraw-Hill International Associate Editor, will speak on "The U.S. Looks at Inter-American Trade" at Florida University's Conference on the Caribbean at Mid-Century, Gainesville, Fla., December 7 to 9..."If You Have No Children" is the title of ELSIE McCORMICK's piece in the December McCall's...

THE OVERSEAS TICKER

MAILBAG ROUNDUP: While in Europe, Prentice-Hall editor KEN GINIGER scouted a number of OPCers in search of good book material...Saw Joe Barris, Foster Hallers and all the New York Times people in Paris, also Art Buchwald of the New York Herald Tribune...Saw JOSEPH ROSAPEPE in Italy, and DANNY SHAW in The Hague...Reports JAMES P.

O'DONNELL of the Saturday Evening Post and wife, Toni Howard, are now living in a converted German block house on the Riviera...BETTY REEF sends post-card greetings from the top of the Zugspitze in Bavaria, where she's putting finishing touches on a series of 10 pix-text features for the Frankfurter Illustrierte, using material collected in the U.S. "on another so-called vacation"...JEAN JAFFE checks in from Johannesburg, South Africa, where she flew with a group of Israel journalists on the first Lydda-Johannesburg flight of the El-Al Israel Air Force. Plans to return here the end of December... (Continued on Page 6)

RADIO-TELEGRAPH

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RED-FACE DEPARTMENT: From Tokyo, WILLIAM J. DUNN of NBC writes to correct a Bulletin item (November 16) that he "unstintingly praised MacArthur's stand against censorship" in a talk before the Manila Overseas Press Club recently..."In this instance," he says, "I seem to have been completely misunderstood. What I actually said -- or tried to say -- was that I was NOT in sympathy with the General's stand, but that I heartily agreed with him that the great majority of correspondents are adult, intelligent, responsible citizens. However, I tried to point out, none of us claimed to possess enough of the over-all picture, as it might be known to Intelligence or Operations, to trust our judgment as to what might or might not constitute a breach of security...As a matter of fact, I personally contacted both Maj.Gen. C. A. Willoughby, MacArthur's G-2, and Maj. Gen. Courtney Whitney, his military secretary, on my own initiative to ask them to support the correspondents in their request for censorship. I believe that General Willoughby agreed with me and gave us his support...I don't believe that anyone (with as much war experience as I have had) could ever support a policy of no censorship in time of war"...The Bulletin sincerely regrets that DUNN's position was inaccurately stated...

ROME DATELINE: -- (Special to The Bulletin) -- JACK L. BEGON, publisher of the Rome Daily American, only English language daily in the Mediterranean, left for the U.S. via the Far East and the Pacific. Before departing, he completed negotiations for a new plant for his paper and four weekly Italian-language newspapers which use the Daily American's presses...

OUR PROLIFIC COLLEAGUES (Rome Division) -- Past President BOB CONSIDINE's profile of MacArthur and the piece on "MacArthur's Women," by Past President FRANK KELLEY and CORNELIUS RYAN, in Italy's weekly Europeo of Milan...DOROTHY CAREN's account of motoring in Italy in a recent New York Times travel section...Rome's L'Elefante weekly reprinted MICHAEL STERN's story of the execution of the first Nazi general, Anton Dostler, by the Allies...

THOMAS B. MORGAN back at the Hotel Ambassador after a 10-day visit to Paris. -- (JOSEPH ROSAPEPE).

STOCKHOLM DATELINE: (Special to The Bulletin)-- This capital is no longer the listening post and news center it used to be during World War II, so few American full-time correspondents are stationed here. Visiting talent continues numerous, however...Most of them check in with former New York Times Far Eastern correspondent Wilfred J. Fleischer, information officer at the USIS, and with Dr. Eric Bellquist, public affairs officers...

Recent visitors, and some not so recent, include WALTER LIPPMANN and the New York Times' Michael Hoffman, who took time from his Geneva assignment to gather material for a series on Danish and Swedish economics...Edmund Stevens of the Christian Science Monitor passed through Stockholm on his way from Moscow to Rome...Earl Wilson, the syndicated columnist, who spent a hectic week studying local cafe society...UP's Bill Richardson, who came from Paris to cover the funeral of King Gustav V...

The visitors' register at the Embassy also carries the names of Ernest Leiser, ONA's Frankfurt correspondent; Bill Murray of the American Armed Forces Network; Paul Hughes, Wall Street Journal; Frank Dennis of the Washington Post and Malcolm Muir of Newsweek.... His opposite number at Oslo, former AP staffer Ned Nordness, has the title, "Assistant Minister", on his doorplate....ROLF LAMBORN, New York correspondent for Stockholms-Tidningen, is home for consultation by way of Korea, where he sat in on the landing at Inchon, the capture of Seoul and other major war events. ... Now visiting Sweden as guest of the Swedish Government is Naboth Hedin, formerly Brooklyn Eagle and now chief of the Swedish-American News Exchange in New York. -- (GEORGE AXELLSON).

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